MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

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Property Name: Inventory Number PG: 74B-42
Address: 2308 Crain Highway, NW, Prince George's County - In the Vianity of Bowie
Owner: Willard, Ray III Bemard Walker
Tax Parcel Number: 164 50 9396, Plat 192037, Lot 2 Tax Map Number: 63
Project MD 301 Agency State Highway Administration (SHA)
Site visit by SHA Staff: X no yes Name: Date:
Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommendedX
CriteriaABCD Considerations:ABCDEFG _X None
Is property located within a historic district? X no _ yes Name of District:
Is district listed?: X no _ yes
Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project Review and Compliance Files
Description of Property and Eligibility Determination (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)
This farm complex includes a one-and-a-half story modest interpretation of the Cape Cod design of the Colonial Revival style. The house is designed of brick and clapboard siding with two slightly projecting bay windows and a doorway with a pedimented frame. The side gabled roof extends over the main façade and creates an overhang that is supported by four squared posts. The barn is a transverse-frame barn and was often used for drying tobacco. The side gabled roof is designed with metal sheeting and the barn is enframed with vertical wood boards.
Prince George's County relied on its agricultural roots for its economic growth through the early half of the 20th century. The county's position as one of the largest tobacco growers in Maryland and the increasing diversification of the crops grown to be sent to the urban markets allowed for a family to be supported by agricultural means. This economic factor assisted in continuing the agricultural tradition and led to the construction of new farm complexes.
The barn was the principle building erected on a farm which provided space for cows, horses, equipment, and hay, straw or tobacco storage. Throughout the 19th century, barns increased in size or were newly built to include space
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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommended Eligibility not recommended None Criteria: _ A _ B / C _ D Consideration _ A _ B _ C _ D _ E / F _ G _ None
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

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Reviewer, NR Program

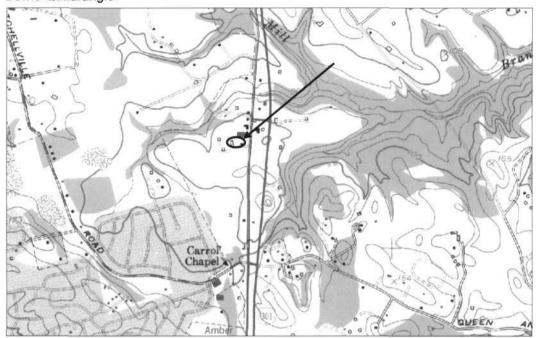
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for smaller animals, such as poultry and pigs, and as a place for the threshing and storage of grain. Their size also increased during the 19th century as the introduction of improved equipment led to more efficient and profitable operations, and, consequently, to increased need for storage facilities. Typically, livestock was housed on the lower level, while the upper level was reserved for the storage of hay and straw, and the threshing and storage of feed grains.

The c. 1920 barn and the c. 1945 house are a common example of the farm complexes that continued to develop in Prince George's County in the 20th century. The resources lack significance related to events, persons, or architecture. Criterion D, information potential, was not assessed for this study.

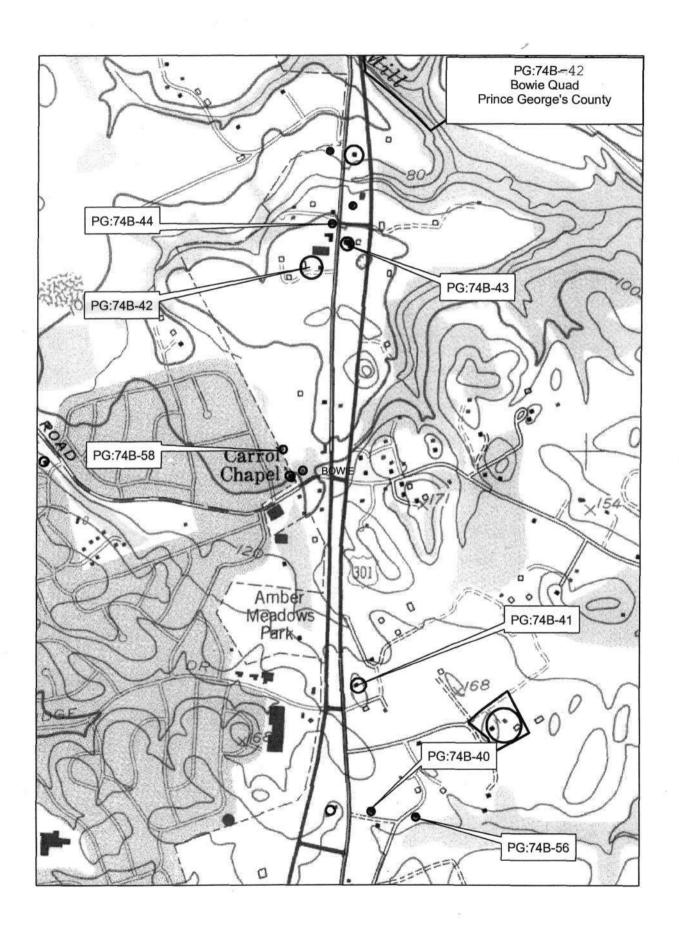
PG:74B-42 2308 Crain Highway, NW (US 301), Bowie Bowie Quadrangle

(Barn Demolished)



National Web Map Service 6" Orthophoto Map
c. 2007-08, Overlaid with Maryland Planning parcels Plat 192037, Lot 2







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